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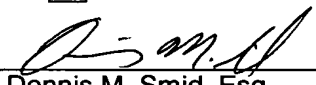
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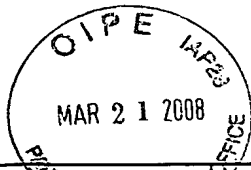
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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the official action mailed September 20, 2007, applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.